

PATENT APPLICATION

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This application is a continuation-in-part application of prior parent Application Nos. 10/171,649, 10/171,629 and 10/171,648 (hereinafter referred to as “the ‘649, ‘629, and ‘648 applications”, respectively). In these prior applications, the ‘648 application had been allowed, and both of the ‘649 and ‘629 applications had received provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejections over each other and over the allowed claims of the ‘648 application.

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In keeping with recommendations from the PTO on overcoming these rejections, all three applications have been combined into the instant continuation-in-part application, and all three applications will be allowed to go abandoned. Claims 1 to 30 of the instant application correspond to Claims 1 to 30 of the '649 application; Claims 31 to 61 correspond to Claims 1 to 30 of the '629 application; and Claims 62 to 85 correspond to Claims 1 to 24 of the '648 application. Each set of claims is clearly entitled to an effective filing date of June 17, 2002, which is the filing date for the parent applications.

An Information Disclosure Statement accompanies this filing so that art of record in all three applications is also made of record in the instant continuation-in-part application.

An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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